

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-60. (Canceled)

61. (Currently amended) A temperature altering system, comprising:

a blanket sized and dimensioned to drape over a horse, and having flaps that fit around the horse's neck above a withers region and extending rearward fitted around a hindquarter region of the horse;

first and second pockets disposed on an underside of the blanket, each of which has a cavity that includes a removable temperature altering device, and each of which is freely positionable about the blanket using hook and loop fasteners; and
wherein the first pocket has a first size and the second pocket has a second size that is different from the first size.

~~the blanket having a flap sized and dimensioned and positioned to secure the blanket to at least one leg of the horse.~~

62. (Previously presented) The system of claim 61, wherein the underside of the blanket includes a wicking material.

63. (Previously presented) The system of claim 61, wherein the first pocket has a flap disposed to assist in keeping a corresponding one of the temperature altering devices within a cavity of the first pocket.

64. (Previously presented) The system of claim 61, wherein the first pocket has a zipper disposed to assist in keeping a corresponding one of the temperature altering devices within a cavity of the first pocket.

65. (Previously presented) The system of claim 61, wherein the first pocket has a button disposed to assist in keeping a corresponding one of the temperature altering devices within a cavity of the first pocket.

66. (Currently amended) The system of claim 61, wherein the first pocket has a temperature reflective material on a side adjacent the blanket.

67. (Previously presented) The system of claim 61, wherein the pockets mate with a top side of the blanket.

68. (Currently amended) The system of claim 61, wherein the ~~pockets mate with a bottom side of the blanket~~ temperature altering device can be a series of electrically controlled heating elements.

69. (Canceled)

70. (Currently amended) The system of claim 61, wherein the blanket further comprises a leg flap [[is]] coupled to a rear portion of the blanket, and includes including an additional pocket.

71. (Previously presented) The system of claim 61, wherein the blanket further comprises a detachable neck protrusion, wherein the protrusion includes an additional pocket.

72. (New) The system of claim 61, wherein the blanket further comprises flaps that cover a horse's neck above a withers region and extending rearward to cover a hindquarter region of the horse

72. (New) The system of claim 61, wherein the first size and dimension of the first pocket is configured to contact the horse's spinal muscles.

73. (New) The system of claim 61, wherein the second size and dimension of the second pocket is configured to contact at least one of the horse's shoulder and hip muscles.